

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO

SEP 27 2006

650 Town Center Drive
Suite 1600
Costa Mesa, California 92626-7130
(714)540-8700
Facsimile: (714)540-9823

FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

TO: Examiner: Ella Colbert
Group Art Unit: 3693

FROM: John D. Magluyan, Reg. No. 56,867

RE: U.S. Application No. 08/863,047
Attorney Docket No. 03500.012088.

FAX NO.: (571) 273-8300

DATE: September 27, 2006 **NO. OF PAGES:** 4
(including cover page)

TIME: 1:49 PM **SENT BY:** Charise

MESSAGE

Attached are the following papers for the above-identified application:

1. Response To Office Communication.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted via facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at (571) 273-8300, on:

September 27, 2006
(Date of Deposit)

John D. Magluyan, Reg. No. 56,867
(Name of Attorney for Applicants)

John D. Magluyan
Signature

September 27, 2006
Date of Signature

**IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE ALL THE PAGES
PLEASE CALL 714-540-8700 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Note: We are transmitting from a Canon Model FAX-L770
(compatible with any Group I, Group II or Group III machine).

THIS FACSIMILE MESSAGE AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS ARE INTENDED ONLY FOR THE USE OF THE ADDRESSEE INDICATED ABOVE. INFORMATION THAT IS PRIVILEGED OR OTHERWISE CONFIDENTIAL MAY BE CONTAINED THEREIN. IF YOU ARE NOT THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ANY DISSEMINATION, REVIEW OR USE OF THIS MESSAGE, DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS MESSAGE IN ERROR, PLEASE NOTIFY US IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE OR FACSIMILE AND MAIL THE ORIGINAL TO US AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS. THANK YOU.

SEP 27 2006

03500.012088.

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| In re Application of: |) | |
| | : | Examiner: Ella Colbert |
| FUMIAKI ITO, et al. |) | |
| | : | Group Art Unit: 3693 |
| Application No.: 08/863,047 |) | |
| | : | |
| Filed: May 23, 1997 |) | |
| | : | |
| For: DOCUMENT PROCESSING |) | |
| METHOD, SYSTEM AND | : | |
| STORAGE MEDIUM FOR |) | |
| DOCUMENT PROCESSING | : | |
| PROGRAMS |) | September 27, 2006 |

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Sir:

Applicants have received an Office Communication dated August 28, 2006,
which contends that the Amendment filed on June 13, 2006 does not comply with 37
C.F.R. § 1.121, and which requires that a clean copy of the specification be submitted.
This requirement is respectfully traversed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile
to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at (571) 273-8300, on:

September 27, 2006
(Date of Transmission)

John D. Magluyan, Reg. No. 56,867
(Name of Attorney for Applicants)


Signature

September 27, 2006
Date of Signature

SEP 27 2006

In particular, 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(ii) recites that amendments to the specification, including amendment to a section heading or the title of the invention which are considered for amendment purposes to be an amendment of a paragraph, must be made by submitting:

"The full text of any replacement paragraph with markings to show all the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph. The text of any added subject matter must be shown by underlining the added text. The text of any deleted matter must be shown by strike-through except that double brackets placed before and after the deleted characters may be used to show deletion of five or fewer consecutive characters. The text of any deleted subject matter must be shown by being placed within double brackets if strikethrough cannot be easily perceived."

In this regard, the June 13, 2006 Amendment is seen to provide proper replacement paragraphs for (i) the upper-right hand corner of page 1 (i.e., deleting "CFO 12088 US" and adding --08/863,047--), (ii) the paragraph beginning on page 21, line 3, and (iii) the paragraph beginning on page 32, line 3.

Furthermore, the June 13, 2006 Amendment is seen to unambiguously identify the location to add one or more paragraphs (i.e., adding --08/863,047-- to the upper-right hand corner of each of pages 2 to 39). See 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii).


Accordingly, submission of a clean copy (unmarked-up copy) of the specification, as required by the August 28, 2006 Office Communication, is not seen to be necessary. Accordingly, withdrawal of this requirement is respectfully requested.

No other matters being raised, it is believed that the entire application is fully in condition for allowance, and such action is courteously solicited.

SEP 27 2006

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa,
California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to
our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,


John D. Magluyan
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No.: 56,867

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10112-3800
Facsimile: (212) 218-2200

CA_MAIN 120815v1